Message from Office of the President to Inver students – CARES Act Funding for Eligible Inver Hills Students | April 30, 2020

From: IHCC Office of the President <OfficeofthePresident@inverhills.edu>
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:30 AM
To: Students
Subject: CARES Act Funding for Eligible Inver Hills Students

Dear Toni,

Inver Hills Community College, as part of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system, will receive federal recovery aid under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

Background
CARES Act student emergency aid grants are intended to help students cover expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus. This includes expenses like food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and childcare.

Distribution Plan
To distribute the CARES Act Emergency Financial Aid grants, Inver Hills is following guidance from the Department of Education (DOE) and Minnesota State Colleges and Universities.

- All Inver Hills students enrolled when Chancellor Malhotra declared an extension of spring break will receive $150 grants.
- Students who have filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and demonstrated Pell eligibility will receive an additional $350 grant.
- The remaining amounts for Inver Hills will be dispersed as emergency grants through the existing emergency application process. For emergency grant information, Students can contact the Academic Counseling team at counseling@inverhills.edu, schedule an appointment online with a counselor through the Starfish scheduling link, or call 651-450-3548 to schedule over the phone. This approach allows us to also provide support for students in need who were excluded by DOE requirements.

Distribution Process
- CARE Act funds will be directly deposited into student accounts for those eligible students with a BankMobile account.
- Eligible students without a BankMobile account will need to set up an electronic money transfer which will allow BankMobile to transfer funds to their designated bank automatically.
- Please visit the CARES Act Funding site on the Inver Hills COVID-19 Resource website for more information on how to set up a BankMobile account and for related FAQs.
Pay it Forward—Students Helping Students

Some students have indicated a desire to “pay it forward” and donate their CARES funds to other students who may be in greater financial need. If this is of interest, students can make a donation to the Inver Hills Foundation at Inver Hills Foundation Online Giving and select the “Acts of Kindness” dropdown.

Questions?

Students with questions related to the CARES Act funding can contact the Inver Hills Business Office at ihccbankmobile@inverhills.edu.